

Copy

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 9, 1882.

J. L. Clark, Esq.

#823 Filbert St.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 5th-instant I have to state that the Mint-at-Philadelphia is authorized to buy silver bullion in lots of less than 10,000 ounces at rates fixed from time to time by this office and which you can readily obtain upon inquiry at the Mint.

In regard to gold deposits, I will say that deposits of less value than \$100. or so

base as to be deemed unsuitable for the operations of the Mint, ~~it~~ may be legally refused, but it is seldom that such deposits are refused and then it is simply owing to their baseness. You have the same opportunity to sell your Bullion or any silver ware at the Mint as other parties, and when you have to dispose of such as Bullion, you can take the same to the Mint and you will readily be furnished with the price which will be paid per ounce fine for the silver contained.

Very respectfully,

R. E. Preston,

Acting Director.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., February 9, 1882.

A. London Snowden, Esq.,

Supr. U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I transmit herewith - for your information, copy of a letter received at this office from J. L. Clark of your city, also a copy of my reply to the same.

Very respectfully,

R. A. Minton

Acting Director.

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R. L. Peyton

Sends copy of Com-
plaint of J. L. Clarke,
Phila, of the purchase of
small lots of bullion of
the Mint, & copy of re-
ply.

2 Enclosures.

Rec^d Feb. 10th 1882.

[Letter One:]

[Abstract:] Sends copy of complaint of J.L. Clarke, Phila., of the purchase small lots of bullion...
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Bureau of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.,
February 9, 1882

J.L. Clark, Esq.
#823 Filbert St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir: -

In reply to your letter of the 8th instant I have to state that the Mint at Philadelphia is authorized to buy silver bullion in lots of less than 10,000 ounces at rates fixed from time to time by this office and which you can readily obtain upon inquiry at the Mint.

In regard to gold deposits, I will say that deposits of less value than \$100 or so base as to be deemed unsuitable for the operations of the Mint, - may be legally refused, but it is seldom that such deposits are refused and then it is simply owing to their baseness. You have the same opportunity to sell your bullion or any silver ware at the Mint as other parties, and when you have to dispose of such as bullion, you can take the same to the Mint and you will readily be furnished with the price which will be paid per ounce fine for the silver contained.

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R.E. Preston,
Acting Director.

[Letter Two:]

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A. Loudon Snowden, Esq.
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